

Pegasus Solo Test System Users Manual



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Pegasus Solo Packing List

The Pegasus Solo package includes the following items:

- Pegasus Solo client
- One or more optional interface host bus adapters (installed).
- Pegasus Solo users manual (this document).
- Orion Host users manual
- Fboot users manual
- Pegasus SBC manual
- Network Power Margin Manual
- External drive I/O cable (installed).
- External DC power cable (installed).
- External Ethernet crossover cable.
- CD containing all software required for installation on a Windows 98 or 2000 system.
- Drive fixture (optional)

Cautions and Warnings

- Disassembly of the Solo enclosure is not recommended, except by experienced personnel only. There
 is a possibility of electrical shock if the protective cover is removed.
- Install and remove the power connector from the DUT (drive under test) only when a test has been completed or the Solo power has been turned off.

Recommended Operating Conditions

- Temperature: 10 to 32 deg C. (operating).
- Humidity: 10 to 85 percent RH (operating).

Introduction

System Description

The FlexStar Pegasus Solo test system is a storage device interface test system designed to aid in the test and debug of various types of storage devices: HDD (hard disk drive), Tape devices, CD-ROM, DVD-ROM, etc.

The Pegasus Solo system consists of one single board computer (SBC), a power supply and network power margining card (NPM).

The Solo client is a diskless PC containing one or more Host adapter cards. The client normally contains 32 Megabytes of system RAM and a 733 MHz CPU.

Also included in the Solo package is a 110-Watt 15V DC power supply, which supplies raw power to the NPM for the drive under test (DUT) and power for the SBC.

The Orion server software is a Windows 98/2000 compatible application, which provides control and data collection for all clients connected to the system. The application presents a graphical view of all connected clients and detailed activity of a selected test node.

Device tests are performed by writing and executing test program scripts, which are edited using the Script Editor supplied with the software.

The Orion test software is designed to be 100% compatible with the Flexstar DOS HOST software used in earlier test products. The Orion software also adds many new features to enhance the operation and data collection capabilities.

The Orion Host software can start, stop, pause, and resume any test. The Host software includes power margining control and graphic performance plotting for real-time analysis of current test data through a single stand-alone GUI. Opening, editing, and saving scripts are fast and effective through the easy-use-use GUI environment.

Product Features

The FLEXSTAR Pegasus Solo has the following features:

- Small enclosure size lends itself to desktop and portable applications.
- Capability to network up to 128 Solo's together (requires extra hubs and cables).
- The same features as the larger Flexstar rack systems.
- Powerful Pentium Celeron processors for high performance.
- Parametric measurement capability including data throughput and power measurements.
- Fully programmable power for the DUT.

- External video, keyboard, and mouse connectors for the client.
- Easy upgrade to future interface adapters.

Product Specifications

AC Power Input Requirement

95 VAC to 250 VAC 47-63 Hz. @ 3 amps maximum.

ESD Specification

Non-contact discharge into enclosure frame: 20 kV.

Installation

Hardware

Refer to figure 1.0 & figure 1.1 for the following:

- 1) After unpacking the Solo system make sure that no damage is visible to the external chassis.
- Connect the two Ethernet RJ-45 connectors (located on the rear panel) together using the supplied Ethernet crossover cable to your server. If you are connecting up a hub, use the standard Ethernet RJ-45.
- 3) Connect the Solo to an A.C. power source using the supplied A.C. cable. The A.C. input can range from 95 VAC to 250 VAC 47 to 63 Hz.
- 4) Apply power to the unit via the on/off switch located on the rear panel of the Solo. This is the main power switch for the unit. There is also a more conveniently located power switch on the front of the unit. Be sure to switch this on as well.
- 5) The Solo will boot from a Windows 98 / 2000 computer that has the Flexstar software installed and that is configured with the Solo client MAC address.
- If there are problems with the boot-up, please refer to the section on TROUBLESHOOTING. If there are problems with software installation, please refer to the Fboot manual. Refer to the Orion Host User's Manual for operation instructions.

Changing Host Adapter Cards

The following sequence describes the method for removal and replacement of the interface Host adapter cards.

- 1) Turn system power off and unplug the RJ-45 cable
- 2) Loosen the thumb screws on the front of the unit and slide out the electronics tray.
- 3) The host adapter bracket is attached to a right angle bracket that is part of the client SBC mounting. Remove the screw that holds the adapter bracket in place and remove the adapter from the PCI riser PCB.
- 4) Reverse this process to add a new adapter to the system.

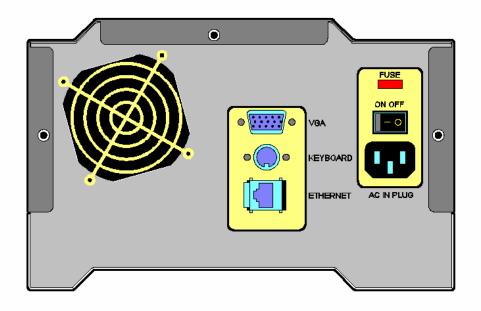


Figure 1.0 Solo Rear Panel

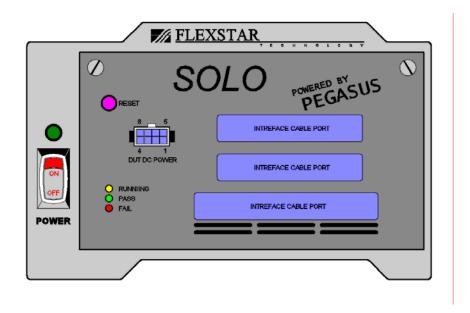


Figure 1.1 Solo Front Panel

Connector Assignments

DUT DC Power

Pin	Description
1	+12 Volts
2	+12 Volts
3	+12 Volt Remote Sense
4	+5 Volt Ground
5	+5 Volt Ground
6	12 Volt Ground
7	12 Volt Ground
8	+5 Volt Remote Sense
9	+5 Volts
10	+5 Volts

Software

Remote Boot Software Installation

Please refer to the FlexBoot users guide and installation guide (in PDF format).

Client Software Installation

Orion client software is installed as an IMAGE file, which means that all files required for the client are contained in a single 'boot image', compressed file. Client software will be released as a complete image (all files included). The image files must be stored in the same directory as the FlexBoot remote boot manager utility (see **FlexBoot Users Guide**).

NOTE: Fboot must be running before applying power to the Solo client

Orion Host Software

Refer to the Orion Host Users Guide for setup and operating instructions.

Maintenance

External Maintenance check (suggested every 30 days)

- Check that the DC cooling fan located on the rear panel of the unit is functional and is moving air out
 of the enclosure. Also check for obstructions and dust build-up around the fan area and around any
 air inlets.
- 2) Check for wear on the vibration fixture located on the top cover. Check for signs of wear on the sub-adapter drive I/O connector. Replace sub-adapter if necessary. Note: The sub-adapter connector may only be reliable for a limited number of insertions. The reliability depends on the connector type and number of pins.
- 3) Check for wear or pin spreading on the 4 pin DC connector.

Internal Maintenance Check (suggested every 90 days)

A qualified service technician should perform the internal maintenance check, as the possibility of electrical shock does exist.

- 1) Remove the A.C. cord from the receptacle at the rear of the enclosure.
- 2) Remove the top cover of the enclosure and check that the SBC CPU cooling fans are operating normally. Replace the defective cooling fan if necessary.
- 3) Check for excessive dust build-up around the CPU and cooling fan. Clean if necessary.
- 4) Check to see that all PCI adapters are seated in the PCI connector.
- 5) Replace the top cover.

Troubleshooting

This section provides some troubleshooting techniques designed to aid in the debug of a non-operating system.

No Power When AC Power is Switched ON

- 1) Check that both the front and rear switches are on.
- 2) Check the A.C. line fuse located in a protective cover just above the rear A.C. switch. This fuse, if blown, might indicate a defective 15V power supply inside the Solo. The replacement fuse is a 3 Amp FAST BLOW type.

Client Won't Boot from Server

- 1) Make sure that the FlexBoot server application has been started and the boot manager window is present on the server screen. See the FlexBoot users guide for more details.
- 2) Check to see that the boot manager is using the correct client file and has the correct path name to the file.
- 3) Check Windows network settings and make sure that the Netware software is running properly.
- 4) Check the Ethernet crossover cable. This cable connects the Client Ethernet connector to the Server Ethernet connector located on the rear of the Solo. Replace is necessary.

Appendix

Technical Support

Online support and the latest releases of software are available on the Flexstar web site at http://www.flexstar.com.

Users can also receive technical support via Email at support@flexstar.com.

Glossary

DUT – Device under test.

ESD – Electrostatic Discharge.

Legacy – Flexstar FS25xx test systems (replaced by Pegasus).

SBC – Single Board Computer (small form factor, highly integrated motherboard).

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